

A man in an orange jacket is seen from the side, looking through binoculars. He is positioned on a ship, with the ocean and a sunset sky in the background. A large, dark vertical structure, likely part of a submarine, is visible behind him.

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Welcome Aboard

Welcome to Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, Georgia

Awarded the Commander-in-Chief's "Installation of Excellence Special Recognition Award," Naval Submarine Base (NSB) Kings Bay, Georgia, shines as the Navy's premier duty station. The dynamic mission, coupled with the people who live and work here on base and in the community, make it so. When you arrive, you will find southern hospitality abounds and small neighborhoods with friendly, helpful neighbors give the area a hometown feel. Traffic is minimal. Metropolitan Jacksonville is within commuting distance for those who desire city life. Coastal Georgia and the beaches and attractions of Florida are just down the road.

On base, a dynamic team professionally "delivers support to the strategic warfighter," while achieving A+ results with safety, mission accomplishment, security, environmental stewardship, community relations, camaraderie, education, fun, and superb quality of life for all. Testimony to back up claims the base and area are the best comes from the people, military, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, and their families, who choose to remain here year after year. In fact, so many military people and families select to "Stay Navy" while stationed here, the chief of naval operations recently awarded NSB Kings Bay the prestigious "Retention Excellence Award."

The NSB Kings Bay area is a great place to live and work for families and unaccompanied people alike. If you have orders to NSB Kings Bay, you are on the correct course. If you are contemplating a move here, set your sights on southeast Georgia and NSB Kings Bay, and serve on our winning team. We look forward to welcoming you aboard!



Naval Submarine Support Base Kings Bay stands up July 1, 1978. Kings Bay was established as a refit site for the fleet ballistic submarine squadron relocating from Rota, Spain. Commander Robert Sminkey stood the command up with 36 people on staff. Today, Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay employs over 8,000 people.

Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay History

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- 1954–1978 — Military Ocean Terminal Kings Bay, U.S. Army**
- 1978–1982 — Naval Submarine Support Base Kings Bay**
- 1982–present — Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay**

The Early Years

The Kings Bay region is a pleasant place to live, as is shown by the fact that people have populated the area for thousands of years. Archeological research has revealed a pre-Columbian Indian presence throughout the area.

Early in the 19th century, much of what is now a bustling modern submarine base was the site of several plantations, including Cherry Point, Harmony Hall, New Canaan, Marianna and Kings Bay. Along the bay, Thomas King developed his Kings Bay plantation. Buying the land in the 1790s, King built a small-to-medium sized plantation. Investigations by University of Florida archaeologists revealed a broad spectrum of previously unknown information about the lifestyle of the typical small-to-medium farmer of the day.

Elsewhere on land, which the base now occupies, John Houston McIntosh built a considerably larger plantation known as New Canaan, where he grew cotton and sugar cane.

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Just west of the Stimson Gate, across Georgia Highway Spur 40, lies the two-story tabby ruin of McIntosh's sugar mill.

The plantation system declined following the Civil War, and the land broken up into smaller holdings. Residents harvested abundant fish and other seafood, and trapped and hunted to supplement small-scale farming of corn, rice, sugar and other vegetables.

The Army Years

The Army began to acquire land at Kings Bay in 1954 to build a military ocean terminal to ship ammunition in case of a national emergency. Construction actively began in 1956 and was completed in 1958. Since there was no immediate operational need for the installation, however, it was placed in an inactive ready status.

The most prominent feature of the terminal was its 2,000-foot-long, 87-foot-wide concrete and steel wharf. It had three parallel railroad tracks and would have enabled the simultaneous loading of several ammunition ships from rail cars and trucks.

Elsewhere aboard the base, the Army built 47 miles of railroad tracks. Spurs off the main line ran into temporary storage areas that were protected by earthen barricades. These mounds of dirt, still prominent features in many areas of the base, were designed to localize damage in case of explosive accidents.

Although the Army base was never activated to serve its primary purpose, it was used twice for other missions. In 1964, as Hurricane Dora hammered the area, nearly 100 area residents were sheltered aboard base. Also, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, an Army Transportation Battalion of 1,100 personnel and 70 small boats took up position at Kings Bay.

The Navy Years

The chain of events that led to today's combination of high-tempo submarine operations at Kings Bay and the complex construction project that has reshaped the face of thousands of acres of land began in 1975. At that time, treaty negotiations between Spain and the United States were in progress. A proposed change to our base agreement with Spain was the withdrawal of the fleet ballistic-missile submarine squadron, Submarine Squadron 16, from its operational base at Rota, Spain. Anticipating that this would take place, the Chief of Naval Operations ordered studies to select a new refit site on the East Coast.

In January 1976, the negotiators initialed a draft treaty between Spain and the U.S.; it called for withdrawal of the squadron from Rota by July 1979. The U.S. Congress ratified the treaty in June 1976.

A site-selection steering group evaluated more than 60 sites along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. By summer of 1976, the number of sites was narrowed to five: Narragansett Bay, R.I.; Cheatham Annex, Va.; Charleston, S.C.; Kings Bay, Ga.; and Mosquito Lagoon, Fla.

A comprehensive study evaluated each site against a number of criteria, including: costs, ability to meet required schedule, land availability to meet explosive safety requirements, operational capabilities and logistics consideration, environmental impact and growth potential for future requirements.

After careful review, The Navy selected Kings Bay.

The first Navy personnel arrived in the Kings Bay area in January 1978 and started preparations for the orderly transfer of property from the Army to the Navy. Naval Submarine Support Base Kings Bay was established in a developmental status July 1, 1978. The base—now Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, occupies the entire former Army terminal, as well as several thousand additional acres.

Preparations for the arrival of the submarine squadron went forward with haste throughout the remainder of 1978 and into 1979. Commander Submarine Squadron 16 greeted the submarine tender USS *Simon Lake* (AS-33), when it arrived at Kings Bay on July 2, 1979. Four days later, USS *James Monroe* (SSBN 622) entered Kings Bay and moored alongside *Simon Lake*'s starboard side to begin a routine refit in preparation for another deterrent patrol. Kings Bay has been an operating submarine base since that day.

In May 1979, the Navy selected Kings Bay as the preferred East Coast site for the *Ohio*-class submarine. On October 23, 1980, after a one-year environmental impact study was completed and with Congressional approval, the Secretary of the Navy announced Kings Bay as the future home of the new Trident submarine. The building project included the construction of three major commands: Trident Training Facility (TTF), Trident Refit Facility (TRF), and Strategic Weapons Facility, Atlantic (SWFLANT).



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On January 15, 1989, the first Trident submarine, USS *Tennessee* (SSBN 734), arrived at Kings Bay. The commissioning of USS *Louisiana* (SSBN 742) in September 1997 gave Kings Bay its full complement of 10 Trident submarines.

The enormous effort put forth by all the commands at Kings Bay reached fruition in late March 1990, when the Trident II (D-5) missile made its first deterrent patrol on board *Tennessee*.

The end of the Cold War and the reorganization of military forces in the 1990s affected Kings Bay. A nuclear policy review recommended the Navy reduce the *Ohio*-class fleet ballistic-missile submarines from 18 to 14 by 2005.

In order to meet the review recommendation, the four oldest *Ohio*-class submarines were decommissioned and they are currently undergoing conversion to conventional (SSGN) platforms. *Pennsylvania* and *Kentucky* departed in 2002 and *Nebraska* departed in 2004 for Naval Submarine Base Bangor, Washington, as part of balancing the Trident fleet. *Maine* and *Louisiana* will depart for Bangor in the fall of 2005. Once conversion is complete in 2006, USS *Florida* (SSGN 728) will make Kings Bay its new

home. It is expected that USS *Georgia* (SSGN 729) will make its home here as well when its conversion is complete in 2007.

In addition to being an integral part of our nation's strategic deterrence program, Kings Bay has attained and sustained award-winning results unsurpassed in Navy Region Southeast or other submarine and shore commands in the U.S. Navy.

In 2004, Kings Bay received many honors including the Navy's Personal Excellence Partnership and the Environmental Stewardship Flagship Awards. Strategic Weapons Facility Atlantic received its second consecutive Raborn Award as the top strategic system program command in the Navy and received a Meritorious Unit Commendation from the Secretary of the Navy. USS *Maine* (SSBN 741)(B) received the Chief of Naval Operations Afloat Safety Award for its outstanding contributions to fleet readiness, efficiency and economic use of resources through safety.

Kings Bay continues to take great pride in its mission and dedication to service; a base recognized for total commitment to innovation, quality of life, environmental awareness and community relations.



Before You Arrive

Getting Here is Half the Fun

Interstate 95 is the most popular route to this area, and you can reach the base by taking Exits 1, 3, or 6. Exit 1 takes you down St. Marys Road, which ends at the Franklin Gate. From Exit 3, take Georgia State Route 40 east toward St. Marys and turn left onto Kings Bay Road, which will take you to the Stimson Gate. Exit 6 also leads to Kings Bay Road and to the Stimson Gate.

Bus passengers traveling with orders should disembark at the Kingsland, Ga., Greyhound terminal on Highway 40.

For those who choose to fly, Jacksonville International Airport is approximately 30 miles south of the base adjacent to Interstate 95.

Vehicle Registration

Motor vehicles, privately owned and operated on the base by military and civilian personnel or their family members, must be registered at the Stimson Gate Pass and ID office. After hours and during weekend hours, personnel may go to the Franklin Gate Pass and ID office. Valid decals from other military activities will be honored for 30 days with PCS orders. After that, a Kings Bay decal must be affixed.

The Stimson Gate Pass and ID office hours are 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week. The Franklin Gate Pass and ID office hours are 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. Military personnel must use the Stimson office when open.

The following minimum requirements must be met in order to be issued a decal:

1. Current vehicle registration;
2. Possession of valid state driver's license;
3. Current vehicle insurance;
4. Current military identification card.

Before You Arrive

Individuals must have written permission in their possession when operating a privately owned vehicle registered on base to another person (with the exception of immediate family members with the same last name).

Motorcycle operators must meet the same minimum requirements as stated above. In addition, motorcyclists must also have proof of attendance of both the classroom training and the road phase of the Motorcycle Defense Driving Course before being issued a base decal. Motorcycle operators must wear helmets, footwear, and other protective gear while driving on base and in Georgia.

Seatbelt use is required on base and motor vehicle drivers should never drink alcohol and drive. If you do drink alcohol and need to travel, use a designated driver or call a taxi or friend. Also, ensure you turn on your headlights whenever it rains, which is a Georgia law. Always keep safety in mind and practice sound risk management whenever driving or traveling in motor vehicles, on or off base. For more information about vehicle registration, call (912) 573-1180 or 1862.

Sponsor Program

So, you have orders to Kings Bay. What do you do next? NSB Kings Bay has a great program to aid you with all the necessities of your move. The key to your smooth transition is your sponsor.

Once your orders are received by your prospective command, a welcome aboard package will be sent to you and a sponsor will be assigned. The sponsor will enclose a personal letter in the package to welcome you and offer assistance. They will also contact you personally and help make your transition as trouble-free as possible.

Whatever questions you have—big or small—your sponsor will assist you in finding answers. If a sponsor does not contact you in a timely manner or if you need

additional information, call your command or the NSB Kings Bay sponsor coordinator at (912) 573-9620.

Temporary Lodging

It is advisable to locate temporary lodging in advance. Your sponsor can help you make room reservations.

Hotels

There are several local hotels in the Kings Bay area. Accommodations are usually plentiful year-round.

Transient Visitors Quarters (TVQ)

The TVQ offers temporary lodging for families and has 272 rooms, two of which are handicapped accessible. The TVQ offers free laundry facilities, TV, VCR, cable TV, and a small conference room. Access to a full size kitchen is also available. The TVQ is within walking distance to the community center, galley, Navy Exchange, commissary, and chapel. For current rates, reservations, and more information call (912) 573-4871 or 4971.

Navy Lodge

The Navy Lodge has 26 rooms. Two of the rooms are configured for handicapped occupants and 13 are designated as nonsmoking rooms. Twenty-four hour phone service is available. Inquiries may be made by calling (800) NAVY-INN.

Weather

The climate in southeast Georgia is generally temperate. Summers are long and warm with an average relative humidity of about 75 percent. Winters, although punctuated with periodic invasions of cool to occasionally cold air from the north, are usually mild because of the southern latitude and the proximity to the warm Atlantic Ocean.

The annual average temperature for the Kings Bay area is 68. June, July, and August are the hottest months, with daytime temperatures averaging over 80 degrees, but generally in the upper 80s or 90s with high humidity. Temperatures can often reach 95 degrees or higher in summer, with nighttime temperatures rarely falling below 75 degrees.

Spring and fall temperatures are moderate and usually very pleasant. December, January, and February are the coolest months, with daytime temperatures usually in the 50s or 60s.

The greatest rainfall, mostly in the form of local thunderstorms, occurs during the summer months when a measurable amount can be expected one day in two. Summer thunderstorms usually occur before the noon hour along the beaches, while afternoon thunderstorms are the rule inland.





Reporting Aboard

The First Stop

The first stop for all new personnel reporting aboard should be their appropriate administrative department. Both NSB Kings Bay and Submarine Group 10 admin departments are located in building 1063. Personnel checking aboard Group 10 or any of the submarines should report to Group 10 admin. Trident Training Facility and Trident Refit Facility both have their own admin departments. The admin department will get you started on the check-in process and will set up an appointment for you to visit the Personnel Support Detachment (PSD).

If you arrive after hours, check in at your command's quarterdeck and have your original orders endorsed. The next working day, report to admin. If your arrival dates and/or times change, or if an emergency arises that might prevent you from reporting on time, call your command and sponsor in advance or as soon as safely possible.

Personnel Support Detachment

Military members should report to PSD at their scheduled appointment time to complete required check in procedures and file travel claims.

Located in building 1052, PSD keeps pay and personnel records current and processes travel claims. Other services include identification card issue for military and family members, personnel records review, passport applications, retention information, and guidance for check-in procedures.





What's At Kings Bay

Housing and Housing Referral

Kings Bay has 665 townhouse-style homes with one through four bedroom units to choose from. The actual waiting time for our one and two bedroom enlisted units are less than 30 days. Pets are allowed in family housing (two pet limit), restrictions do apply when occupying 2nd floor units. Leash laws for all animals enforced and pets must be registered within 10 days of moving into family housing. Annual registration is only \$3 for each pet and micro-chipping for cats and dogs is mandatory onboard Kings Bay.

All service members transferring to Kings Bay must contact the housing referral office before making any off-base housing commitments. The office maintains lists of currently available apartments, houses, and mobile homes for sale or rent. The service is designed to save effort and expense during the house-hunting stage of your tour. All service members accompanied by their family members are eligible for family housing. Service members without dependents are eligible for assignments to bachelor quarters. The Family Housing Office is located in the Family Housing Welcome Center at the corner of Andrew Jackson Drive and James Madison Road.

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Bachelor's Enlisted Quarters (BEQ)

The Bachelor's Enlisted Quarters consists of 1,138 rooms and can house a total of 1,687 enlisted personnel. Kings Bay does not provide berthing for geographical bachelors other than resident advisors in order to meet the Navy's priority berthing.

Transient Visitors Quarters (TVQ)

The TVQ is also part of the housing department, and you can read about the TVQ in the "temporary lodging" section of the base guide.

Educational Opportunities

Local Schools

Kings Bay residents can take advantage of Camden County's public school system (from kindergarten through 12th grade). The county has 11 schools, including one high school, two middle schools, and nine elementary schools.

Higher Education

On base, the Navy College Center hosts several colleges, which provide on-base classes for people seeking associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees. The two on-base

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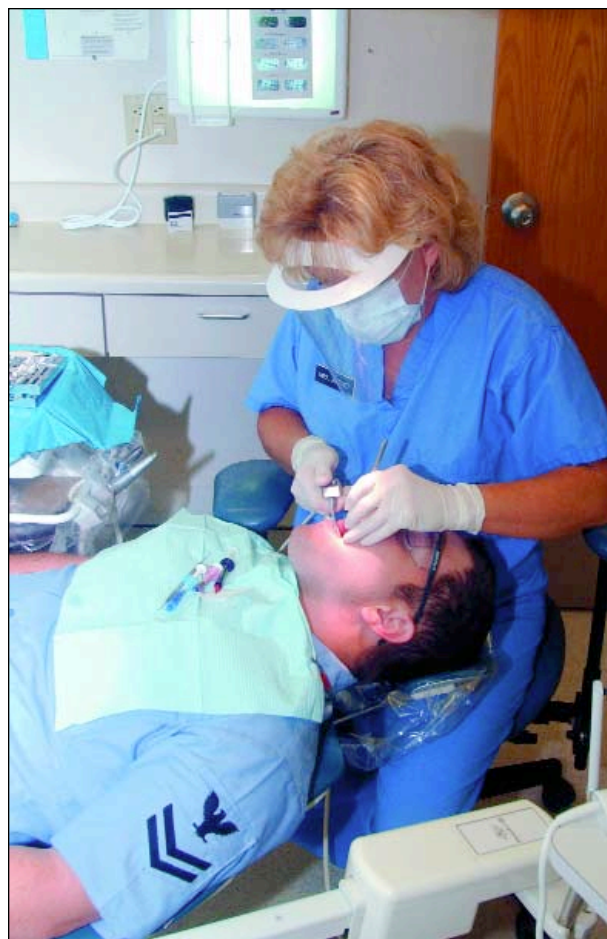
institutions include Brenau University and Valdosta State University. They are located in the Navy College office, building 1030. Coastal Georgia Community College is located three miles from the base on Wildcat Drive (near the high school, which is on Colrain Road). There are several other colleges within commuting distance in Brunswick, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla.

As a supplement to Navy College, the Campus Resource Center, managed by Valdosta State University, offers academic library services for members of the Kings Bay community. Materials available include reference material, fiction, and Internet access (for patrons 18 years and older).

The Navy College office contains a fully stocked DANTES test center, where tests are scheduled on a regular basis. Counseling is available for other degree programs, such as Service Member's Opportunity Colleges. The Navy College Learning Center, located at Trident Training Facility, is available for test review or college preparation classes. For more information about educational opportunities, call the Navy College office at (912) 573-4527 or 4574.

Naval Ambulatory Care Center and the Branch Dental Clinic

The Naval Ambulatory Care Center and the Branch Dental Clinic are located in building 1028 at the intersection of James Madison and Henry L. Stimson Avenues.



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Dental Care

All active duty personnel are seen at the branch clinic. Personnel with dental emergencies can be seen at any time. Family members and qualified beneficiaries are required to utilize the United Concordia dental plan. Information is available upon request from the front desk staff or by calling (912) 573-4212.

Medical Care

The Naval Ambulatory Care Center is a primary care outpatient facility that provides routine general and pediatric care. NACC does not have an emergency room, but medical emergencies in are handled at the Southeast Georgia Health System-Camden Campus located on Kings Bay Road (near Wal-Mart).

Clinic hours for acute and chronic problems are from 7:40 a.m. to 8:20 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays), and 8 a.m. to Noon, Saturday. The clinic is closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. However, a physician is on call 24 hours a day to refer Tricare Prime patients and active duty personnel to the appropriate sources of care.

The clinic uses an appointment system for all beneficiaries, including active duty personnel. All appointments are scheduled through the central appointment desk at (800) 529-4677. Patients who have signed up for Tricare Prime are given priority for appointments. All other beneficiaries are seen on a space-available basis.

Since the Naval Ambulatory Care Center is staffed and equipped to handle general medical problems only, patients requiring more specialized care will be referred to other medical facilities. Both military and civilian providers are used in the referral process. Tricare Prime patients must be referred to outside care by their primary care manager. Tricare Standard and Extra patients may seek care utilizing their Tricare benefits.

For more Tricare information, call the NACC health benefits adviser at (912) 573-2928 Ext. 4228, or schedule an appointment with the health benefits office through the central appointment desk. For additional information regarding Tricare, call (912) 882-2604 or (800) 444-5445.

More information about NACC services can be obtained through the "Guide to Outpatient Services," which may be picked up at the clinic.

Services

Child Development Center

The CDC staff is dedicated to the goal of offering quality childcare and making a happy environment for your children.

The full-time developmental program uses guidelines set forth by Navy instruction and The National Association

for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The center has been accredited by NAEYC since 1991 and its curriculum places emphasis on all phases of development.

Any military and DOD family member, six weeks to five years old, is eligible for enrollment in the center. Priority is given to single and/or dual active duty military and active duty military with a working or student spouse. A child is no longer eligible for the program at the end of the summer (August) preceding admission into kindergarten.

The center serves more than 265 children and is located in buildings 0150, 0152, and 0147. The CDC hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 0630-1730. They are closed weekends and all federal holidays. For more information about the Child Development Center, call (912) 573-3626.

Chaplain Services and Religious Activities

The base chapel is located in building 1049 across from the Navy Exchange. Religious services are held each weekend. These services include Roman Catholic Mass at 5 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday, and religious education classes at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday and 6:30 p.m. on Monday during the school year. (Exact times depend



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on the age of the student.) Protestant worship services are held at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. For more information about chapel services and programs, call (912) 573-4501.

Defense Commissary Agency (DECA)

The Defense Commissary Agency, located in the Navy Exchange complex, carries approximately 9,500 grocery items, more than 85 fresh meat items and more than 140 produce items. The commissary prides itself on its wide selection of fresh meat and its tempting array of fresh produce.

The commissary allows disabled shoppers access to the store 30 minutes before its regular opening hours and assists them with their shopping if needed.

Special orders can be called in and will be available when the patron arrives at the commissary. Most meat special orders can be called in 24 hours in advance, but grocery and produce special orders require 72 hours notice, so they can be ordered and received from distributors. For more information, call (912) 573-3310.



Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC)

The Fleet and Family Support Center offers a variety of social services to military members and their families.

FFSC provides information and referral services, individual and family clinical counseling, life skills workshops, support groups, relocation assistance, transition assistance, employment assistance, retired affairs assistance, financial counseling and education, new parent support services, family advocacy services, victims assistance, deployment support and ombudsman assembly support. Workshops, presentations, and general military

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training sessions are also available for more than 30 subject areas.

For more information or to obtain services, call the FFSC at (912) 573-4512 or visit it at building 1051 across from PSD and the Naval Legal Service office.

Employment Opportunities

There are four main sources of employment at NSB Kings Bay:

1. Civil service positions with NSB Kings Bay and its tenant commands.
2. Non-appropriated fund positions with MWR (covering clubs and athletic events), the Navy Exchange (NEX), and DECA.
3. The Base Operating Services Contractor (BOSC) provides base security, firefighting, maintenance of buildings and grounds, and minor construction work.
4. There are several defense contractors on the base. Employment opportunities should be pursued either directly with the company, or with the Georgia Department of Labor in Kingsland. NSB Kings Bay, TRF, and SWFLANT rely heavily on the skill, expertise, and

dedication of a civilian work force in a variety of trades. Job information for appropriate civil service positions at Kings Bay may be found at www.hrojax.navy.mil.

A computer for conducting job searches and preparing resumes online is available in the Human Resources office (HRO) located in the NSB Kings Bay administration building (Building 1063).

Current family members who wish to apply for military spouse preference should contact their local Department of defense or Department of Navy civilian personnel office immediately upon receipt of orders to Kings Bay. Upon arrival to Kings Bay, eligible family members should notify Human Resources Service Center, Southeast (HRSC SE). The local HRO is available to provide the necessary information to contact the appropriate individual at HRSC SE.

Applicants for non-appropriated fund positions, which are open to the public in the MWR department, can submit application to the MWR personnel office located in Building 1032. Their number is (912) 573-4583 or 8572.

Those interested in employment with the NEX can inquire at the NEX personnel office or by calling (912) 573-3958.



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The Georgia State Employment Office is located in 1712 Osborne Road in St. Marys. The office's number is (912) 729-8794.

Legal Services

Command Judge Advocate General (JAG) advises the Naval Submarine Base Commanding Officer on legal matters and provides advice to base personnel concerning ethics, military justice, commercial solicitation, outside employment, the Freedom of Information Act, Privacy Act and Standards of Conduct issues. The office can be reached at (912) 573-4732.

The Naval Legal Service Office, located next to PSD, provides active duty personnel, retirees and family members assistance with various legal issues. Some of the services NLSO provides include: notaries, powers of attorney, wills and estate planning, domestic relations, leases, real estate, non-support and paternity, taxation and other routine legal matters by appointment only. Defense and Mast counseling are also offered on an appointment basis. The office can be reached at (912) 573-3935.

Navy Exchange

Main Retail Store—The main retail store carries a variety of products, ranging from major appliances to infant and toddler clothing. They also have a special-order desk and garden shop. The NEX hosts many programs to include "Nobody Beats," A-OK, Convenience Care Extended Warranty Plans, "We Save You Money Everyday," and the Military Star Card. For more information, call (912) 882-6098.

Customer Service—The Customer Service Desk allows authorized patrons personal and government check-cashing services. They also provide Western Union money transfers and American Express money orders as well as NEXCARD payments.

Sight and Sound—A variety of consumer electronics such as computer equipment, TVs and accessories, cameras, film, CDs, tapes, and videos are carried in the store. For more information, call 882-4642.

Flower Shop—The NEX Floral Shop offers a host of gifts, from fresh flowers to exquisite arrangements. They also offer a vast selection of balloon bouquets, baskets,

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and plants for any occasion. Local delivery is offered to the Kingsland, St. Marys, and Woodbine area. Teleflora services are also available for those long distant deliveries. For more information, call 882-6988.

Optical—The NEX Optical Shop offers a vast variety of frames and optical products. Same day service is available on most single vision lens prescriptions. Lens tinting is also available. For more information, call (912) 573-4681.

Food Court—The NEX food court, at the south entrance of building 1029, features Subway, Taco Bell, and Java Junction. Other food services include Subway, in building 4030 at the TRF refit facility; Subway on the waterfront in building 5060; the TTF snack bar in building 1065; and the SWFLANT full line cafeteria in building 6005. McDonald's is located next to, and within walking distance of, the NEX building.

Barber Shop—The barbershop offers haircuts for men, women, and children. Appointments can be made by calling (912) 882-6228. Customers without appointments are seen as soon as possible.

Beauty Shop—The beauty shop offers full-service hair styling, including perms, for men women and children. Appointments can be made by calling (912) 882-6152.

Navy Pride and Personalized Services Shop—The Navy Pride and Personalized Services Shop has a variety of merchandise available for special gifts that include plaques, novelties and military theme clothing. The following services are also available to authorized patrons: AT&T debit cards, film developing, special orders, gift wrapping, UPS, notary services, leather sweater patches, laminating service, and engraving.

NEX Video—NEX Video, located at the Mini-Mart, has a wide selection of movies available in both VHS and DVD. TV's, DVD, and VHS players are also available for rental. Customers can take advantage of many specials.

Mini-Mart/Package Store/Service Station—The service station has twelve gasoline pumps that offer quick and easy self-service. The convenience store offers a variety of foods and a selection of household items. There is also a large selection of wines, liquor, beer, and soda available. For more information, call (912) 573-9586.

The **Autoport** offers automotive accessories, propane, U-Haul supplies and rentals, and Rug Doctor supplies and rentals. Pro Sound, located in the NEX garage, offers a variety of services to include window tinting, car stereo installation, video equipment installation, and security alarms. To make an appointment, please call (912) 576-4154.

Uniform Center/Tailoring/Dry Cleaning—The Uniform Center and Tailoring/Dry Cleaning Shop is located in the main NEX complex. The Uniform Center staff can assist you with all your uniform needs. For more information, call (912) 573-8558.

Navy Federal Credit Union

The Kings Bay area boasts two full-service Navy Federal Credit Union Member Service Centers. The Kings Bay Member Service Center is located next to the base chapel and is open Monday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The St. Marys



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Member Service Center is located 1.5 miles off base at 560 Charlie Smith Sr. Highway (Spur 40) near the Franklin Gate. It is open Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Civilian and military personnel regularly employed by the Department of Defense who work at or are stationed at Kings Bay, and members of their immediate families, are eligible for membership at NFCU.

NFCU's direct-deposit and savings program services include share and IRA certificates, share savings, and checking. Navy Federal also offers a wide variety of consumer loan products, including vehicle loans, major credit cards, and home-improvement loans at competitive rates.

NFCU has eight 24-hour automatic teller machines available to members in the local area. The three ATMs located on base are walk-up machines located outside the main entrance to the Navy Exchange (NEX) complex, in the front of NFCU (near the NEX), and outside the TTF. The other three local ATMs, one of which is a drive-in, are at the St. Marys NFCU. These ATMs can be used by anyone whose financial institution is a member of the PLUS System or Interlink. For more information, visit NFCU's web site at www.navyfcu.org.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, located in building 1039 at the Clubs of Kings Bay building, provides assistance to Navy and Marine Corps active duty and retired service members.

NMCRS offers many services including financial assistance for temporary hardship, budget counseling, a food locker, gift layettes of infant clothing and other basic items for newborns, referral to other military or community service organizations, a listening post for people with problems, education loan programs for active duty family members and children of retirees, and fleet input to commissioning programs.

Financial assistance, in the form of interest-free loans when the service member can repay, is provided in emergencies listed below:

- Basic living expenses (food, shelter and utilities)
- Emergency transportation
- Funeral expenses
- Emergency automobile repair
- Medical/dental expenses (patient's share after TRICARE)
- Personal needs when pay record is lost
- Individual home disasters

These areas of assistance, while stated in general terms, are subject to various limitations and restrictions. Volunteers primarily staff the Kings Bay office. For more

information about NMCRS, call (912) 573-3928, Monday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Public Affairs

The Public Affairs Office provides internal/external information, media relations and community relations.

The Periscope, Kings Bay's weekly newspaper, is available at newsstands throughout the base and Camden County. The paper features events on the base, recreational activities, news about the many commands at King Bay, and volunteer opportunities. Free advertising in the paper's classified sections is available for Sailors, their families, retired members, and DoD civilian employees. View *The Periscope* on-line at www.kingsbayperiscope.com. Contact the editor directly at (912) 573-4719.

The base public affairs officer is the official spokesperson to the media concerning events and people associated with the base. Direct any questions or concerns to the public affairs officer at (912) 573-4714.

The office also coordinates a speakers bureau for those interested in taking the Navy message to civic organizations around the area and state. The PAO also coordinates and manages a robust community service program with the base, tenant commands and the local community. Some of the community service programs include: Personal Excellence Partnership, Project Good Neighbor, Environmental Stewardship and Health, Safety and Fitness. Contact the community relations manager at (912) 573-4960.

For information about the base, its mission and tenant commands located at Kings Bay go to www.subasekb.navy.mil.

Postal Service

The U.S. Post Office branch is located in Building 1006, behind the Navy Exchange gas station. This small but full-service post office provides a full range of postal needs, including international mail service. The post office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

If you do not have a residence prior to transferring, you will need to forward your mail to your next command. For more information regarding change of address or setting up a post office box, call (912) 573-9633.

The U.S. Post Office also has branches in St. Marys and Kingsland.

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is an organization dedicated to its mission statement, "making a difference in people's lives." The Red Cross lives up to its mission daily by providing a helping hand to those in need. Among those helped are members of the armed forces and their families.

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This nonprofit organization is more than 100 years old and has the tradition of being governed by volunteers. Many contributions are given through the Combined Federal Campaign in partnership with United Way campaigns or, where no United Way exists, independent fund campaigns.

The American Red Cross office at Kings Bay is located in the FFSC, building 1051. The Red Cross can be reached anytime at (912) 573-3939.

The American Red Cross offers the following services for military members and their families: communications worldwide to verify family emergencies, financial assistance to meet emergency needs, disaster services, volunteer programs, health and safety classes, referral to other agencies for services, and assistance for personal and family problems.

Security Department

The security department provides physical security and law enforcement services to NSB Kings Bay and is manned by active duty military, Department of Defense civilians, and contractor security personnel. NSB Kings Bay security takes pride in being a "community-policing" organization that is dedicated to serving the NSB Kings Bay community.

Serving as caretakers of the community, NSB Kings Bay Security is committed to "proactive" vice "reactive" policing. This commitment is manifested through a wide variety of programs focused on interacting with the community through a highly refined crime prevention program.

Possession or transportation of privately owned firearms and/or weapons on base is prohibited, except for registered hunters, or special events. Weapons may be kept in family housing if they are registered with Security at the Stimson Pass and ID office. Weapons cannot be kept in BQ rooms. Security Department headquarters is located in building 2026 on USS Henry Clay Boulevard. For more information about storing and transporting weapons or other security issues, call NSB Kings Bay security at (912) 573-2145, Franklin Gate Pass and ID at (912) 573-8609 or 8610, the operations officer



at (912) 573-9626 or the senior enlisted advisor at (912) 573-8858.

Recreation—MWR

Auto Skills Center

The Auto Skills Center provides our military and civilian personnel a quality, value-based program for the repair and maintenance of their vehicles. The Auto Skills Center is a facility where patron self help is fostered and automotive skills are learned. The center includes five indoor and two outdoor/covered bays, and a coin operated car wash with vacuum. Equipment, tools, and supplies are readily available for completing most major and minor automotive repairs. Auto skills workers are on hand to provide technical assistance to all patrons.

Bowling Center

Rack-N-Roll Lanes, the base's bowling center, is located next to the Fitness Complex and offers 16 lanes featuring state of the art AMF equipment, with "Xtreme Bowling" a laser light show with intelligent lighting and state of the art sound system every Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. A pro-shop, lockers, video, and amusement game room are also available. Open bowling, leagues, and special tournaments are also offered and bowling parties may be arranged upon request. To satisfy refreshment needs, Rack-N-Roll Lanes is home to Noble Roman's Pizza Express and the 11th Frame Bar & Grill.

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Boys and Girls Club

The mission of the Boys and Girls Club of Kings Bay is to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens. The club provides a safe place to learn and grow ongoing relationships with adults, life enhancing programs and character development, and hope and opportunity for youth five through eighteen years old (kindergarten through twelfth grade).

Programs offered through the Boys and Girls Club of Kings Bay include school age care (before and after school child care for kindergartners through fifth grade), open recreation Friday nights, special holiday events, day camps, youth sports program, and a teen program. Pre-registration is required for the Teen, sports and school age care programs.

The club contains a computer and media room with on-line access, billiards, foosball, air hockey game room, multipurpose room for skating and basketball, etc., five classrooms, outdoor play area with playground equipment, snack bar area, and two adjacent lighted Little League ball fields with concession stand.

Clubs of Kings Bay Building

The Clubs of Kings Bay building houses a variety of MWR activities including the CPO Club, the Kings Bay Community Center, and Oscar's Recreation Center (home of the Liberty Single Sailor and Marine program). The building also houses the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society offices, which are located next to the Community Center. The CPO Club is open to all E7-E9s and their sponsored guests.

Community Center

The Community Center is located in the Clubs of Kings Bay building, with the front entrance near the TVQ. This facility is available for rent by patrons for special occasions. Small to large areas are available, as well as a lounge complete with dance floor. Kitchen privileges are included with rentals, so patrons can prepare their own food and beverages or hire a caterer. The rental center carries an extensive assortment of tableware, special serving pieces, equipment, and party items to be used in the Community Center or anywhere a patron chooses to hold a special event or party.

The Community Center is also home to bingo. Bingo is held three nights per week. Family bingo is also held quarterly, along with special theme nights throughout the year.



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Child Development Homes Program

The Child Development Home (CDH) Program gives an opportunity for both military spouses and civilian families to care for children in Navy Family Housing units, and off-base military or civilian homes.

The childcare provider and the home are screened for approval before certification. Child development homes are monitored and managed under the guidance of NSB Kings Bay leadership.

The CDH Program serves children of active duty, retired personnel, and DOD civilians employed in the Jacksonville Tri-Site Region. Children from six weeks to 12 years old are eligible for the Child Development Home Program.

This program is a wonderful alternative to center-based care and can be used as an option for those children on the waiting list for the Child Development Center or Youth Center. The mission of the CDH Program is to offer safe, healthy and developmentally appropriate learning environments for children in a home care setting and to give guidance as well as assistance to providers that operate CDHs.

Trident Lakes Golf Club

Enjoy a round of golf on Kings Bay's beautiful 220 acre, 18-hole golf course designed by Arthur Hill. From the



beginner to the master, every golfer will meet a challenge. Sharpen yours skills on the driving range, the putting or chipping greens, and check out the pro shop for specials on bags, clubs, golf balls, hats, and other items. Snacks and beverages are available in the pro shop.

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Fitness Complex

The base Fitness Complex includes two NCAA regulation-size basketball/volleyball courts, and seven racquetball/wallyball courts. The complex also has a Cardio Theatre, Life Fitness exercise rooms, heated junior Olympic-sized pool used year round for physical fitness training, three sand volleyball courts, three lighted ball fields, running track, and men's and women's locker rooms that are complete with saunas.



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Kings Bay Pool Complex

Located in the Fitness Complex, the Kings Bay pool contains a 25-yard by 25-meter heated swimming pool with an exciting 150-foot double water slide. The pool complex also has a 14-foot deep diving pool, kiddie's pool, sand volleyball areas, playground, horseshoe pits, shaded pavilions, and vending area. Large and small private parties can be arranged. The pool offers family nights, entertainment, swimming, and music during tropical summer evenings. In addition to year-round lap swimming during the workweek, recreational swimming, water aerobics, and learn-to-swim classes are also offered seasonally at the base pool.

NSB Kings Bay's fitness programs are at the forefront of interest by both the military and DOD civilian community.

Patrons can check out equipment for tennis, racquetball, basketball, football, and softball at the customer service counter. Shirts, shorts, towels, and shoes can also be checked out. The recreation area also includes lighted tennis and basketball courts, softball fields, a football and soccer field, a newly renovated running track, and fitness, biking and jogging trails.

All fitness programs are designed to promote the relationship between fitness and a healthy lifestyle. Our certified fitness staff support the mission of the Navy by



The Boomers Down Under Invitational Swim Meet is held every Columbus Day weekend at the Fitness Center pool and attracts over 500 swimmers and their families from around the southeast. The three-day meet contributes approximately \$500,000 to the local economy. The Camden County Boomers Swim Club began as a summer league team organized in 1984 at the base and has expanded into a year-round, county-wide team.

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offering PRT Enhancement Training and the Navy Exercise Leader Certification Course. Additionally, we offer classes to all our patrons such as Cardio Kickboxing, Power Training, Boot Camp, Yoga, and Cycling.

A comprehensive Intramural Sports program complements a well-rounded Fitness Agenda. Selected military teams and individuals are eligible to participate in tournaments sponsored by South Atlantic Regional Sports (SARS) and Navy training Camps.

Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT)

Information, Tickets and Travel is located in the NEX complex. If your vacation plans include going to an attraction, make sure to check with ITT first. The office provides military and authorized civilian patrons with information, attraction tickets from Six Flags near Atlanta to Busch Gardens in Tampa, Fla., entertainment and sporting event tickets at discount prices. The ITT office promotes the Armed Forces Vacation Club, which offers significant discounts on vacation condominiums at locations around the world. You can check out their site at afvclub.com. ITT also has two certified cruise line agents to assist patrons in booking their dream vacations.

Liberty Single Sailor and Marine Program

MWR's Liberty Single Sailor and Marine program is operated through "Oscars Recreation Center," a theme facility offering 21 free computers with DSL internet access, a 42" plasma TV, an 8MM movie room with a 60-inch TV and surround sound, 10 Sony PlayStation 2, pool and ping pong tables, CD juke box, and vending area. The facility is free to all active duty military and their guests 18 years and older. The program provides single and unaccompanied military members with wholesome, exciting events and activities to enjoy.

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MWR Monthly Events

MWR arranges funding and coordinators for a variety of recreational activities that enhance the leisure time of our fleet commands. Monthly events include golf tournaments, and bowling tournaments.

Non-Appropriated Fund Personnel Office

The MWR Non-Appropriated Fund (NAFI) employee office is located in building 1032, the MWR administrative office. Interested applicants can review job listings and get information regarding employment by MWR.

Outdoor Adventures

Outdoor Adventures Center is located next to the Auto Skills Center and has an assortment of equipment and recreational areas around the base that are offered at little or no cost to the patrons. A large variety of rental items enhances leisure skill activities for our military and civilian families, such as campers, tents, rods and reels, boats, canoes, and more. Base permits and hunting and fishing licenses are available, too.

Picnic areas with tables and grills are located at various sites around NSB Kings Bay. The Outdoor Branch can make reservations for large groups at these areas.

The newest addition is the Outdoor Adventure program. This program provides outdoor trips and activities

for MWR patrons, such as canoeing, whitewater rafting, camping, horseback riding, deep-sea fishing, bass tournaments, and more.

Recreational Vehicle (RV Park)

Eagles Hammock opened in November 2004 and is located around a wooded 220-acre lake in the heart of Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay.

Fifty RV sites reside inside the park. Each site has a 20' x 40' paved pad, water, sewage, 30 & 50-amp electrical hook-ups, a picnic table and fire ring. Five sites are ADA accessible. A cozy community center is available on the grounds providing a meeting area, ADA bathhouse and laundry room equipped with free washers and dryers.

For the fisherman in you, this is the place to be. Besides "Lake D," there are several smaller ponds that contain Bass, Brim, and Catfish. The largest Bass taken on base was over 15-lbs!

For reservations call (800) 818-1815 or (912) 573-1161.

Recycling Center

The MWR Recycling Center is actively pursuing a cleaner, safer environment by collecting, sorting and reselling recycled material to available vendors in the area. Collections from base commands supply a large variety of recycled material, which help lower landfill costs and supply additional recreational funds to the base.





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Camden County at a Glance...

Geographic Location:

Home to NSB Kings Bay, Camden County is located deep in the heart of Southeast Georgia. Camden County, approximately 300 miles from Atlanta, 109 miles from Savannah and 42 miles from Jacksonville, Fla., is surrounded by Charlton, Brantley, and Glynn Counties.

Land Area:

As the ninth largest county in the state of Georgia, Camden County covers an area of approximately 659 square miles.

Population:

The population in Camden County according to the 2000 Census is 43,664, a major growth since the 1980 census count of 13,371. Due to Camden's strong economy, steady growth is predicted for the future.



Transportation:

Camden County is easily accessible, as Interstate 95 (north and south), U.S. Highway 17 (north and south), and Georgia Highway 40 (east and west) all run through the county. United Parcel Service and Greyhound Bus Lines also serve the area.

Jacksonville International Airport is the nearest commercial airport serving Camden County. It is located approximately 30 minutes south of Camden County on I-95.

The area is also served by the St. Marys Municipal Airport.

Conference and Accommodations:

There are about twenty hotels and motels and several bed and breakfast inns located in the Camden County-Kings Bay Area, with over 1,190 rooms.

Camden County has several different meeting spaces available for use by the public. These spaces include a banquet room with a capacity of 250, a theater with a capacity of 250, classroom space that can hold 150 and a reception hall that accommodates up to 300. Audio-visual equipment is available for use. The Camden County High School theater seats 1,275 people.

Government:

Camden County consists of three municipalities: Woodbine, Kingsland and St. Marys. Each of these municipalities has a mayor and a council of four to six people.

Law Enforcement:

The cities in Camden County provide law enforcement services for their residents, while the county provides countywide protection. St. Marys, Kingsland, and Woodbine all have professional police departments.

Support Services and Public Safety:

Camden County is served by three Class 6 Fire Departments located in St. Marys, Kingsland, and Woodbine, with 11 full-time fire personnel and 84 volunteers. Four Emergency Medical Technician squads serve Camden County and are based in St. Marys, Kingsland, and Woodbine.

Health Care:

Southeast Georgia Health System, Camden Campus, a 40-bed hospital located in St. Marys, offers 24-hour emergency service and full medical care. St. Marys Convalescent Center in downtown St. Marys provides critical care services for elderly residents in the area. The Camden Campus operates one catered and assisted living facility in Kingsland and one assisted living facility in St. Marys. In addition, there are approximately 50 physicians, 12 dentists, and two local veterinarian offices.

Financial Institutions:

Camden County has several financial institutions with assets totaling more than \$8 billion. These institutions include Bank of America, Citizens State Bank, Coastal Bank, First National Bank, United Federal Credit Union, NFCU, and Southeastern Bank.

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Top 5 Employers (numbers approximate):

1. Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay 8,900
2. Camden County Schools 1,200
3. Express Scripts 650
4. Lockheed 460
5. Wal-Mart 450

Education:

The Camden County School System consists of fifteen schools. There are nine elementary schools with grades K–5, two middle schools with grades 6–8, one 9th Grade Center, one high school with grades 10–12 and two special-needs schools. One Christian academy serves grade pre-K through 12. The county library facilities include the Camden County Public Library and the St. Marys Library, as well as Woodbine's Bryan-Lang Historical Library.

Communications:

Three newspapers serve Camden County: The Georgia Times-Union, The Tribune & Georgian and The Camden Courier. WECC-FM, WWIO-AM, and WKBX-FM radio stations provide music, news, and local broadcasts to Camden County residents.

Local Communities:

Kingsland is a city rich in history and natural beauty, along with a vibrant business and social environment. Visitors come here by the thousands each year to enjoy the pristine wilderness of Cumberland Island or the Okefenokee

National Wildlife Refuge, to hunt for bargains on Antique Row in the historic downtown district, or participate in one of our many local festivals.

A great number of visitors and retirees enjoy Kingsland so much that they decide to settle down to take advantage of all of the wonders of the area in a climate that is pleasant year-round. In addition, Kingsland offers unparalleled opportunities for any company that requires a quality labor base, easy access to transportation, or a built-in community of potential customers with relatively high disposable incomes.

St. Marys, the nearest community to the base, is nine miles east of I-95. A quaint, serene, and friendly river town perched on Buttermilk Bluff, St. Marys, settled by the Spanish well before Oglethorpe, has served as the location of an Indian village, colonial settlement and, more recently, host to the NSB Kings Bay family. The oldest town in Georgia, it boasts a national historic district and functions as the embarkation point for Cumberland Island.

Visitors may want to first buy tickets for their Cumberland Island trip, then spend time in the historic district until it is time to board the ferry.

Park your car and stroll along the city's Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Osborne Street, shaded by giant oak, and palm trees. White picket fences surround many of the historic landmarks. Flowered walkways invite you to come rock for a spell on one of the many sea-breezed verandas. Gift and antique shops housed in turn-of-the-century buildings offer hours of browsing. Enjoy delicious fresh seafood and other excellent cuisine found in the eateries of St. Marys.

Stay for a while in a historic hotel, one of the bed and breakfasts or locally owned family hotels. From most of the accommodations, you can walk to the pedestrian ferry for a 45-minute boat ride to Cumberland Island National Seashore, where wild horses, white sandy beaches and natural, unspoiled habitat will greet you.

Woodbine, the county seat, is the fourth city in the county to be selected for that honor. Chosen in 1923 to be the seat of county government, it boasts a courthouse completed in 1928. It continues to house the five-member board of county commissioners, the county courts and attendant offices, as well as the county sheriff. This hub of the county government is situated along the banks of the Satilla River, 18 miles from the base.

Jacksonville, about a one-hour drive to the south of Kings Bay, is the largest city in land area in the entire U.S. and has a population of more than 800,000. The city has a variety of cultures and activities. The international airport, located just off Interstate 95 about halfway between the city and the base, is served by most of the major airlines. The Greyhound-Trailways Bus Company also serves the city. Jacksonville, Fla. is the commercial, financial, cultural, medical and urban heart of Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia.

Situated in the Northeast corner of Florida, Jacksonville is home to three U.S. Navy bases: Naval Air Station,



Jacksonville; Naval Station and Naval Air Facility, Mayport. These bases together constitute the second largest Naval complex on the East coast.

The St. Johns River, which flows through the heart of downtown Jacksonville and into the Atlantic Ocean, makes the city one of the nation's busiest deep-water ports and distribution hubs. The area includes over 35 miles of sandy white beaches, more than 55 excellent golf courses, including the Stadium Course at Sawgrass, home of the legendary 17th hole, beautiful state parks, and luxurious spas and resorts.

With a mild year-round climate, this city boasts a wealth of leisure activities and attractions for everyone to enjoy including golf, tennis, boating, deep-sea fishing, kayaking, horseback riding, shopping and much more. Within a short drive from downtown Jacksonville, you can visit the historical sights of St. Augustine, the posh island community of Amelia Island and the ecologically beautiful Jekyll Island. In January 2005, sports fans from around the nation savored NFL excitement as Jacksonville hosted Super Bowl XXXIX between New England and Philadelphia at ALLTEL Stadium.

Brunswick and the Golden Isles are less than one hour's drive to the north of the base. Brunswick is a busy industrial center and port city. It is the gateway to the Golden Isles of Georgia (Jekyll, St. Simons and Sea Islands) and has spectacular views over the marches of Glynn County. Lanier's Oak overlooks the marshes just north of Brunswick. Sidney Lanier was inspired to write many poems on Coastal Georgia while sitting under this tree. Brunswick is also the home of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Facility Center (FLETC), which occupies the former site of Glynco Naval Air Station.

Savannah, Georgia's oldest city, is located about two hours north of Kings Bay. Much of the colonial charm of the area is preserved in the splendid architectural restorations throughout the city. Cobblestone streets wind in and out of the picturesque squares. A number of famous seafood restaurants in Savannah remind the visitor of the city's proximity to the ocean. The historic waterfront district has been restored and now is a four-mile concourse of museums, boutiques, restaurants and nightspots that echo old world charm along the Savannah River.

Fernandina Beach (Amelia Island, Fla.) is located about 35 minutes southeast of the base, on the northern tip of Amelia Island in Florida. Called the "Isle of Eight Flags," Amelia has been governed variously by France, Spain, Great Britain, Mexico, Florida, independent patriots, the Confederacy and the United States.

Centre Street in Fernandina Beach is a 30-block historic district listed in the National Register of Historic Places. A great deal of restoration has taken place, making the street a reminder of the late 19th century Victorian. Ocean Park and the 13-mile long beach at Fernandina provide unlimited swimming, surfing, and sunbathing. The State Park at Ft. Clinch offers a good place for camping, beach-combing, and general outdoor recreation.

Fernandina Beach's docks are the sites where the first offshore trawlers sailed out early in this century to begin a multi-million dollar shrimping industry, an occasion that is celebrated each year on the first weekend in May with the Isle of Eight Flags Shrimp Festival. The celebration includes shrimp boat races, pirates landing, sidewalk arts and crafts, and plenty of seafood.



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Entertainment and Lifestyles:

Camden County residents enjoy participating in the numerous leisure activities provided by the County's Recreation Center leisure services, which includes nine parks. Other popular pastimes include golfing, fishing, boating, camping, roller-skating, and the theatre. The three local golf courses also offer additional activities and events.

Osprey Cove is a gated club community that offers a championship golf course, which has received much praise and recognition from some of the foremost golf and sports publications, including *Golf Digest* and *Sports Illustrated*. It is located only a few minutes away from St. Marys. Call for more information (800) 352-5575.

Camden County Historical Society (CCHS) is located on Camden's eastern border with Collingswood; the three-building complex is one of the area's largest public history facilities. CCHS is dedicated to preserving, celebrating, and educating the public about the county's richly diverse history.

Saint Marys Submarine Museum presents a fascinating walk through the history of submarines and the men who operated them. The museum is a great place to learn about the "Silent Service." A wide variety of submarine

artifacts, memorabilia, and information are available for viewing, and you can checkout the beautiful St. Marys waterfront through a real periscope. The museum is a non-profit organization. It is located on Saint Marys St., across from the scenic Saint Marys Waterfront between Trolley's and the historic Riverview Hotel. For more information, call (912) 882-ASUB.

Oak Grove Cemetery has graves dating back to 1801, almost making it a "Who's Who" of history in Camden County. Located in downtown Saint Marys, early settlers, victims of Yellow Fever, Acadians and at least one brave soldier from every war (except the Persian Gulf) have



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been laid to rest here. Established in 1788, it is the largest of many old cemeteries in Camden County.

Orange Hall, completed in 1830, is considered a perfect example of Greek Revival architecture. It was built by John Wood for his daughter Jane Wood Pratt, first wife of the Rev. Horace Pratt as a wedding present. Rev. Pratt was the first minister of the Presbyterian Church, located directly across the street from Orange Hall. However, both John Wood and his daughter Jane died in 1829 before the completion of the home. Pratt lived in Orange Hall until 1839 when he moved with his second wife, Isabel Drysdale, to Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The home remained in the Pratt family until it was sold in 1846. Orange Hall changed hands several times until 1960 when it was deeded to the city of St. Marys. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

McIntosh Sugar Works (1825) was originally a successful family enterprise; however, it was later used as a starch factory during the Civil War. Only a few ruins remain today but the story is another intriguing part of Camden County's rich history. Located on Charlie Smith Sr. Highway, 100 hundred yards from NSB Kings Bay's Stimson Gate.

Crooked River State Park—500 acres located on the south bank of the Crooked River. The park offers a wide

range of excellent facilities including a boat launch ramp, 60 tent spaces, trailer and RV sites, an Olympic size pool and bathhouse, 11 cottages, five large picnic shelters and more. Call (912) 882-5256 for more information.

Cumberland Island National Seashore is the largest and southernmost barrier island in Georgia offering guests over 17 miles of secluded white, sandy beaches. Visit the Greyfield Inn, built in 1901 for the Carnegie family. Converted



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in the 1960s to an inn, it retains the turn-of-the-century furnishings. A short ferry ride from Saint Marys transports you to this unspoiled National Seashore. Walk along pristine white sand beaches or inland through live oak and palmetto forests. Deer, mink, turkey, wild horses, and more roam freely throughout the area. Overnight camping, no-license fishing, hiking, and swimming are some of the available activities. Call (912) 882-4335 well in advance for reservations.

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, "The Land of the Trembling Earth," is a scenic 45-minute drive from Saint Marys. Covering nearly 500,000 acres, the swamp offers a rare glimpse into pre-historic times. Walk through an authentic pioneer settlement from the 1800s. Interpretive exhibits, lectures, wildlife shows, boat tours, canoe rentals, wilderness walkways, and much more.

Annual Labor Day Catfish Festival is a three-day weekend event sponsored by the Kingsland Convention and Visitors Bureau. Held on the historic streets of downtown Kingsland, Georgia, it features live music by some of the top recording artists, a community parade, and races and of course, mouth watering, southern-fried catfish cuisine.

Questions?

That is the Kings Bay base and area at a glance. If you have questions, please call your sponsor or command, phone the applicable agency or department, or visit us at www.subasekb.navy.mil.





Cumberland Island Inn & Suites



• 80 Completely Renovated & Refurbished Guest Room with:

- Free High Speed Internet Access
- Microwave/ Refrigerator
- Iron/Ironing Board & Hairdryers
- In-room Coffeemakers
- 27 inch TV with Cable



Family Suites available with:

- Fully equipped Kitchen
- Separate Living Room with Sleeper Sofa



Hotel Amenities:

- Complimentary Continental Breakfast - Serving Hot Belgian Waffles
- Free Local Calls
- Business Centre
- Fitness Room
- Outdoors Swimming Pool
- Island Lounge & Grill – Open Everyday



Location:

- 2 miles from Kings Bay
- 3 miles from Cumberland Island
- Ferry & historic St. Marys Downtown
- 5 miles from Kingsland
- Walking distance to many Restaurants and Theater



Meeting & Banquet facilities for up to 200 people.



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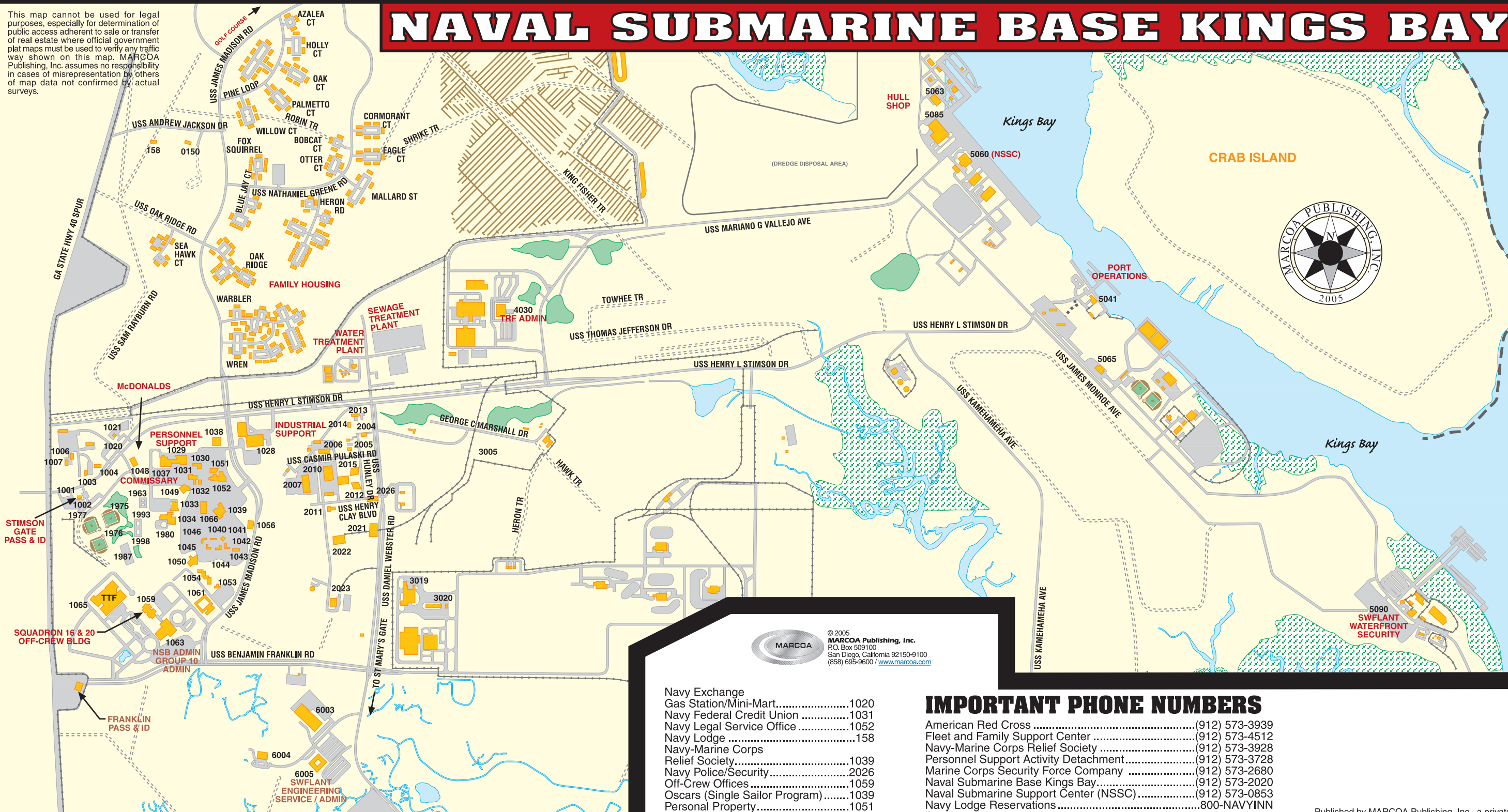
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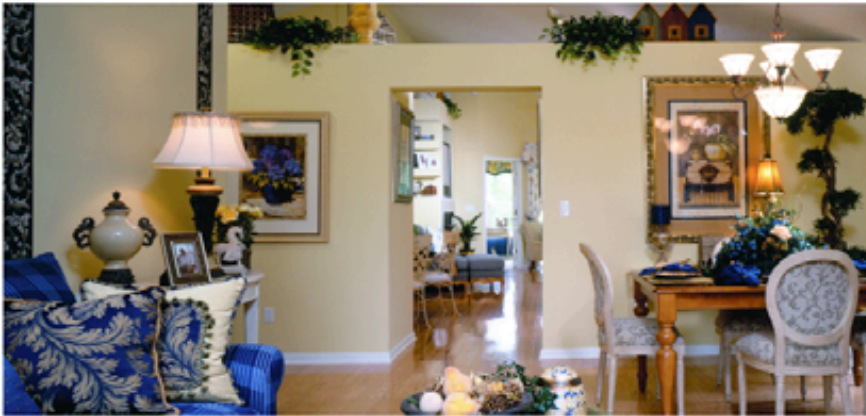
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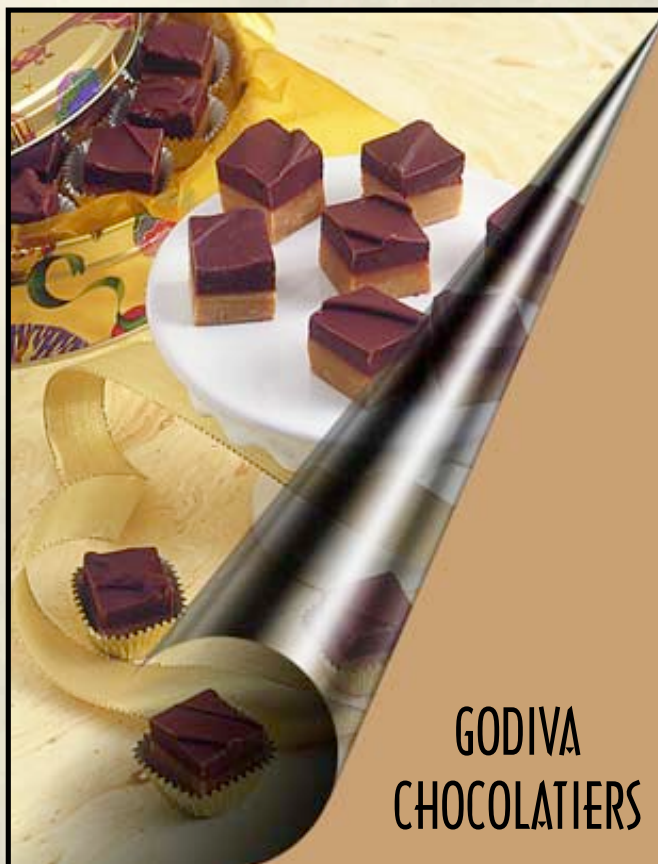
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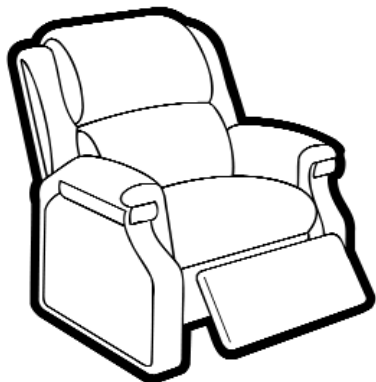
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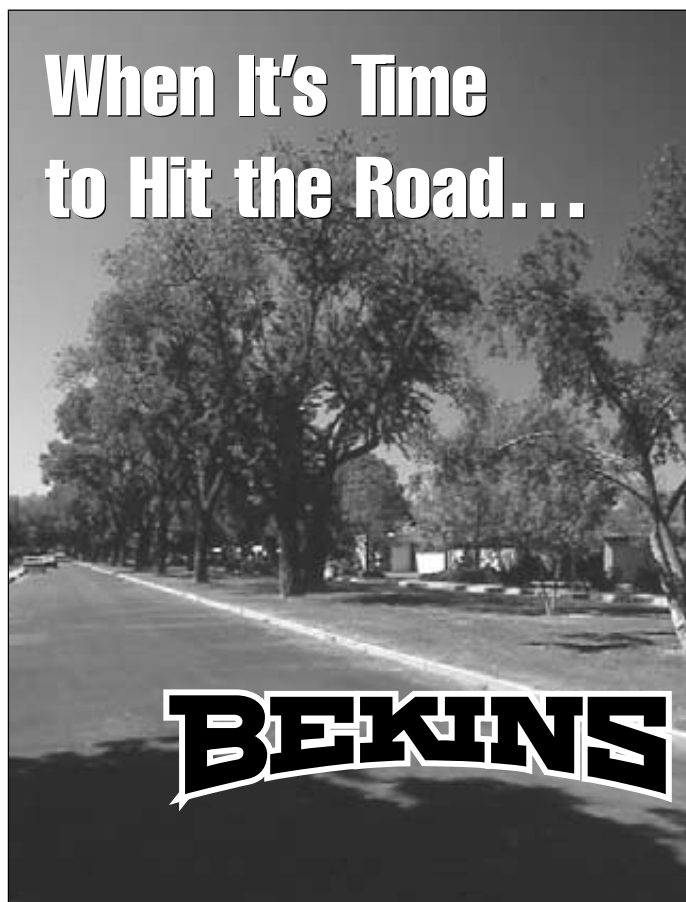
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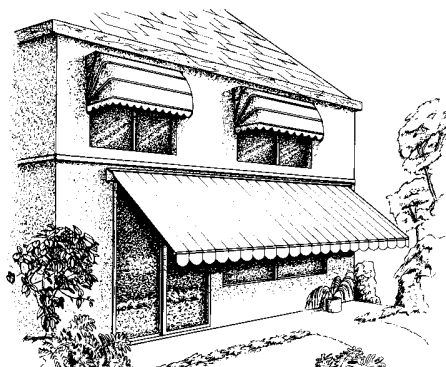
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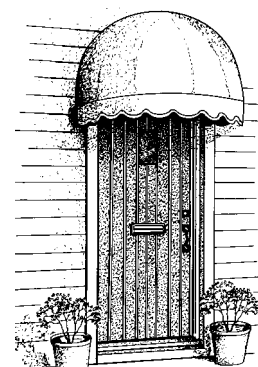
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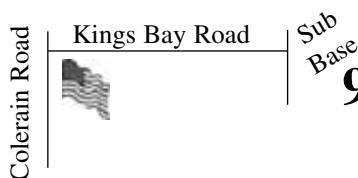


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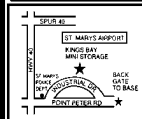
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